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Remarks

Entry of the foregoing amendments and reconsideration of this application are

respectfully requested in view of the following remarks.

At the outset, the undersigned would like to express appreciation to Examiner Ho for the

time and attention extended during the telephone interview conducted on May 21, 2004.

As was discussed during the interview, independent claim 1 has been amended to clarify

that at least a portion of the thermally responsive indicator is adapted to visually change in

response to a change in temperature. As the Examiner agreed during the interview, amended

claims 1-20 are patentably distinguishable over U.S. Patent Nos. 5,498,261 to Strul ("Strul") and

5,413,557 to Solar ("Solar"). Newly added claims 53-76 are also patentably distinguishable over

the Strul reference and the Solar reference.

Accordingly, it is respectfully submitted that the present application is now in condition

for allowance. If the Examiner believes that personal communication will expedite prosecution

of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number provided

below.

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